

Clues Continued...

Left, see the Towpath off our main route
To canal and the deepest lock, no doubt.
Save that journey for another time.
Continue moving right—down the line.

Go slowly. Don't miss what comes next.
Notice derrick east, but look west.
Stone stairs lead to where a sawmill stood.
Climb up and see bolts, not of wood.

Back down to the trail, then right you must turn.
Soon you will spy two large stones, don't spurn.
Study if you must, but don't dally.
Twenty steps down the trail you sally.

Look to the left. Spy a new route.
Follow—this site is worth pursuit.
The canal boats once entered here
To take quarry stones from this pier.

Again, the main trail we briskly walk.
Left, see the two mill stones? Now let's talk.
Why the center holes? Why are they here?
Holes hold axles. Why here is unclear.

If all has gone according to plan,
We return to whence we began.
As a bench you pass, don't sit a spell—
Instead nod farewell, James Rockwell!

Right, uphill you tread in eager stride,
Seeking treasure box and sense of pride.
Three-sided stand to building so brown;
Sneak 'round back, pop "locked" lid—treasure found!

Quickly take the loot from its spot—
Anyone watching? Don't get caught!
Did you re-hide the treasure away?
Come back with friends another day!



This quest was written by Bill Kolosi, a volunteer for Cuyahoga Valley National Park, and Dave Gates, a naturalist for Metro Parks, Serving Summit County.

How to Quest

Quest clues and maps—created by teachers, volunteers, and/or park staff—will help you discover the natural and cultural gems of the Ohio & Erie Canalway. At the end of each quest is a hidden treasure box. Sign your name in the logbook, stamp this page, and return the box to its hiding place.

STAMP HERE

**The questing season runs from
April 15 through November 15.**

Notice a problem or have suggestions for improving this quest? Contact Dave Gates at 330-865-8065 ext. 306 or dgates@summitmetroparks.org.

About This Program

I'm Arrye Rosser, interpretive and education specialist at Cuyahoga Valley National Park. I'd like to thank everyone who helped fulfill my dream of bringing questing to Ohio. This project was made possible by the generous support of a 2010 Parks as Classrooms grant from the National Park Service and is a partnership between many organizations.

So far, more than 70 teachers, volunteers, and park staff have been involved in writing and field testing our initial series of Canalway Quests. Our plan is to create many more in the years ahead. If you would like to volunteer, contact me at 440-546-5992 or arrye_rosser@nps.gov.

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The Ohio & Erie Canalway celebrates the rails, trails, landscapes, towns, and sites that grew up along the first 110 miles of the canal that helped Ohio and our nation grow.

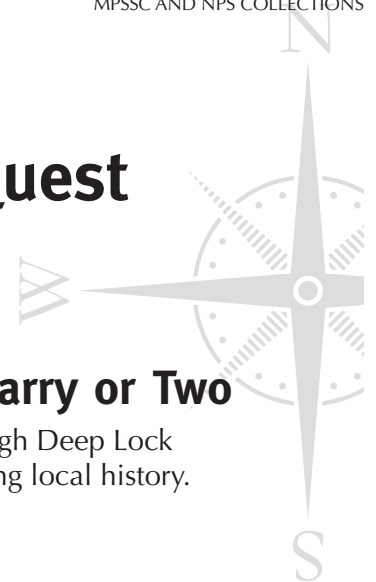
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Civilian Conservation Corps workers at Deep Lock Quarry, mid-1930s.
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Canalway Quest



A Quest for a Quarry or Two

Take a moderate hike through Deep Lock Quarry Metro Park, exploring local history.

Planning Ahead

This treasure hunt takes about 50 minutes. Trail surfaces can be steep, rocky, and slippery. Insect repellent, drinking water, and walking shoes are recommended. You will need a pen or pencil to sign the logbook. Some people prefer using their own signature stamp and ink pad or marker.

Getting There

Start at Deep Lock Quarry Metro Park, 5779 Riverview Road, south of SR 303, Peninsula, Ohio 44264.

Clues

Can you tell me, what is a quarry?
The clues will tell you the whole story.
Simply a place where stone was dug out—
Now the focus of today's quest route.

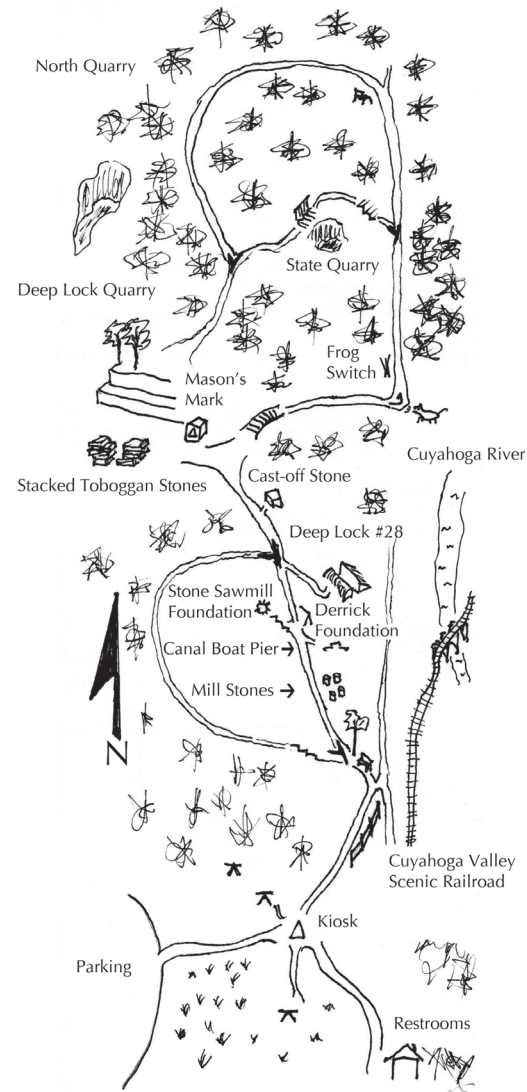
Huddle at the three-sided stand.
Prepare to march off as a band.
Set your bearings north. See the trail?
Soon you will come to a wooden rail.

Stop and beware, for all is not right!
Can you see there are two paths in sight?
No bikes may go on the path to take.
Spot the bench ahead—make no mistake.

Search about if you are able.
Who is first to find the cable?
Before the bench, can you see a rail,
Not of wood nor anything frail?

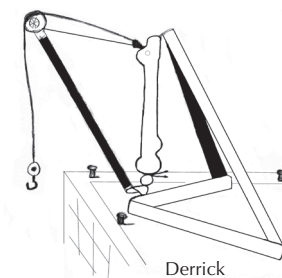
These are from times of past quarry life.
Where tools, trains, and cables lessened strife.
Up ahead another Y we meet—
As before, left is right. Climb up, feet!

Go up and down, but don't lose heart.
Soon you will come to a new start.
When at the T, what do you see?
River, bridge, lock? Look around, tell me.



Left is right. Who will find first the stone?
Lying on right, so rough and alone,
Cast aside due to imperfections.
Derricks* moved stone in all directions.

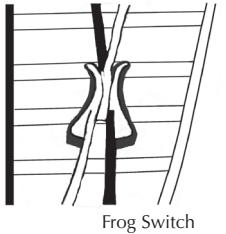
Soon you'll learn more, not to worry.
Now walk, let us find the quarry.
Wide open space you soon will find.
It is from here the stones were mined.



At last, you have found Deep Lock Quarry!
Now to learn the rest of the story
Of stones for canal locks, grinding blocks,
And toboggan chutes—see the stacked rocks?

Take time to explore the quarry floor.
Over the bridge, go to learn more.
Follow the path that a train once rode.
A narrow gauge* ran on this road.

After dogleg* left, a frog switch* left lies
20 steps from brown post, on the ground, spy.
Continue again to the next turn.
Go the way that takes you up—feel the burn?



***derrick**: a type of crane used to lift and transport quarry stone
narrow gauge: a railway with track narrower than the standard width
dogleg: an angle that resembles the hind leg of a dog
frog switch: the crossing point of two rails where a train can change tracks

At the railed stairway, look around.
Do you see a large hole in the ground?
What do you suppose came from here?
State Quarry is what you are near.

Now move on to reach the highest height.
At the Y, head TO QUARRY RIM site.
From the rim, imagine sight, sound, and smell—
Steam hammers, train on track, and lunch bell.

The heavy smell of oil in the air.
Quarry boss yelling here and there.
Stones cut off and carried away.
Clackity-clack-clack of the train sleigh.

Now return, stay left at the Y.
Back to the rim sign, up you fly.
This path is long, but don't lose sight.
Soon you will come to bench, stay right.

Continue down to the trail below.
Pass the stairs that led you up, go!
Past the "frog" to quarry's base return.
On block right, mason's mark to discern.

Go back down a familiar track
With Deep Lock Quarry at your back.
Again return, straight at the T.
Soon another choice you will see.